## RE: DOCKETS 98N-1230; 96P-0418; 97P-0197

To whom it may concern:

The FDA must do more than put Bacteria warning labels on egg cartons and regulate egg refrigeration temperatures. The FDA should ban forced molting because it has been scientifically shown to promote disease by destroying the starving hens' immune systems. Forced molting is a primary cause of infectious diseases in hens, eggs and consumers of eggs.

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The FDA has jurisdiction to ban farm practices, such as forced molting, that injure human health. The FDA was petitioned in April 1998 to ban forced molting. This petition should be granted without further delay.

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